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SUBJECT: UK AGREES TO EXTEND SOME TRAINERS AT JORDAN
INTERNATIONAL POLICE CENTER

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The UK will extend six police trainers and their deputy director through the end of February, according to Camar Knapton, desk officer for international police training in the office of the international secondment team at the FCO. Knapton said the UK was aware of the request before LabCouns delivered demarche and had already decided to comply, to the extent possible. Several factors prevent the UK from extending all of their current trainers, who number about 20, down from the 31 estimated in reftel, she said. Police secondment rules limit tours to one year, and many had reached that limit. Budgeting was another constraint. No funds had been earmarked beyond December 31, and more money had to be found. Finally, some trainers simply wanted to finish their assignments at the previously agreed date. In the end, the UK contingent settled on the number of six trainers and one deputy as the limit of their resources. Knapton acknowledged that the number might not correspond to the training requirements of the Iraqis.

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